

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, January 27, 2011

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00 p.m. Roger moved to dispense the minutes due to the busy agenda. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, L. Klodt, P. Cernava, B. Steiner, D. Yoder, Chief Mike Lang Jr. C. Murcko, B. Wohlwend, M. Hamilton, M. Nichols, K. Angel

Old Business

Roger reported that we received two bids for the re-chassis of 2211. The bids were:

Lifestar Rescue - \$63,962.00

Burgess Hearse and Ambulance Sales Inc. - \$71,995.00.

Mike moved to accept the bid with the bid bond from Lifestar Rescue pending review by Chief Lang. Roger seconded. Discussion: Mike suggested having Chris Meduri review the bid. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Roger introduced Bill Steiner and St. Joseph Recycle Committee member Cheryl Murcko. Roger stated that we have received many questions about the aluminum cans recycling that is being passed through the township. Roger reported that Sue requested funds for the upkeep of the parking lot. Sue read the letter from the Recycle Committee. Sue stated that the recycle committee does a great job with the recycling. Sue stated that, as a resident, she does not want her aluminum can funds to go to Atwater or Suffield. Several residents have voiced concern that St. Joe is running the recycle program and is not happy with it. Sue explained that if the St. Joe name is taken off the township will have to pay for a bin for the cans. Sue stated that by asking for funds it keeps the money in the township. Sue explained that she listens to both sides. She further explained the stipulations of the aluminum can recycle program. Cheryl clarified the intentions that the money is to go directly to Randolph residents. Sue and Roger agree. Mike feels that it is not reasonable to limit helping the needy only to Randolph residents. Mike feels the aluminum can issue is getting out of hand. Mike stated that the committee has made their statement on the criteria for requests. Mike stated that when the bins were at St. Joe the township road department plowed and delivered stone to the parking lot. Roger asked Bill to explain the situation. Bill stated it is the only one in the county with this agreement. Bill visits the recycle center once a week. Bill doesn't feel that the aluminum cans will be as successful if the cans go to the recycle center instead of the recycle committee. Roger stated that if the township wants out of the agreement with the recycle committee, the money will not come to the township but go to the district recycle center. There was discussion about who has the ultimate power to determine what bins are required. There was discussion about the volume requiring another container. Roger asked about the cost to rent a container. Bill stated that it is \$300 per year. The rate has not changed for five to six years. Sue reiterated the comments from the residents about helping out only Randolph residents. Bob was with the committee from the beginning. There were not strict boundaries due to Suffield and Randolph working together to get it started. Bob stated that no money goes to the church. The church supports the Food Shelf by giving it a room on their grounds and paying the utilities. Roger understands the situation. Roger further explained that when the recycle center moved onto township property we were bombarded with questions. Roger stated that as a group of trustees we would like to make people aware that money is ready to be distributed. Roger stated that we will do whatever we can to promote it. Sue thanked Cheryl, Bob and the committee for all they did and continue to do. Paul asked why the bins cannot be moved back to St. Joe. Paul stated that we cannot mix religion and politics. Paul feels that would solve the problem. Roger stated that this is not about religion. Roger stated it is his conclusion that the program is working fine as it is. Mike feels the same. The people are doing what they were instructed to do. Mike feels that there is no issue. Mike feels that only a few people have complained out of the 6,000 residents in the township. Bob stated that if we go to curbside recycling everyone will pay regardless if they recycle or not. Roger stands by his original statement. The case is closed.

Bill asked if the township will hold its annual recycle day. There was discussion about the date. Bill thanked the township for their letter of support for the tire amnesty grant. Roger moved to hold our annual recycle day on Saturday, May 14 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mike reported on the progress of the building. The architect is working on the office revision. Due to the weather the fuel building has been put on hold. Mike reported that the gas tank is almost empty. There was discussion about using Sunoco for gas.

Sue reported that the energy audit is almost complete. Sue spoke about the cleaning service for the township. Sue moved to increase her salary to \$150 per week. Mike seconded. Discussion: Mike met with Donna a few times and discussed how her services have increased since she began. Donna really appreciates her job and does her best. She sometimes feels that she would like to do more, but the time doesn't always allow for everything to be done each week. Sue also stated that Dan occasionally has community service workers that may be of help. Mary asked about the effective date for the increase. Roger stated it is February 1. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Sue spoke about Debbie Edwards, one of our VISTA workers, who is looking at a grant for playground equipment at the school park.

Roger spoke about the grants from ODNR. Roger moved to apply for a grant for Randolph School Park restrooms. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Roger moved to apply for a grant at the Randolph School Park for the well. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

New Business

Mike spoke about a conversation with Randolph Fair Fairboard President Charlie Breiding. They want to donate the original township road grader back to the township for use in front of the new storage building. The trustees were agreeable to receive the donation.

Sue has nothing at this time.

Roger moved to place the renewal fire levy on the ballot. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion to file a budget revenue amendment and permanent appropriations in the amount of \$1,619,273.39. Mike so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 1 – 6 totaling \$5,487.25 and pay warrants 31946 - 31975 and EFTs 882 – 889 totaling \$57,373.29. Sue so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry reported that we purchased 484 tons of salt through the state purchasing program. We have used 350 tons. Larry presented the 2010 road summary. Larry presented the estimate for the driveway repair at the school park. Mike suggested the trustees review the information. Larry presented the quotes for the road refrigerator. Mike moved to purchase the refrigerator with an ice maker from Lowes. Roger seconded. Discussion: There was discussion about the color. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry stated that they purchased the snow blower. There were two funerals.

Dan presented the zoning report. No permits were issued. Dan is working on the Richards complaint. The BZA will hear an application for a zoning variance for Lovejoy on January 17 at 7 p.m. Dan stated that Sue received a complaint about the Asher store. Mike asked Dan to comment on the Blue Ribbon Committee. Dan explained the purpose of the committee. Mike feels we should have representative at the meeting. Dan is willing to attend the meetings.

Public Comment

Keith stated that the ball fields will be in use soon and he wants to resolve the issue before the season begins. Mike stated that we are working with the Hot Stove and wants to address the issue before practice starts. Mike stated that we have taken no action yet.

Roger moved to enter executive session at 7:56 p.m. to discuss fire department personnel issues. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

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Sue moved to go back into regular session at 8:38 p.m. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Roger Holt
Margy Rodenbucker